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AMENDMENT

This amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated May 6, 2002 (Paper No. 15). A petition for a three month extension of time to extend the response date to November 6, 2002, is enclosed herewith. No other fee is believed due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19705-001 (AMC-1.) This amendment is being filed with a Request For Continued Examination.

Please amend this application as follows:

In the Specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 12, with the following:

C/ FIGs. 10A and 10B are graphic representations of the effects of 12 daily injections of LEP(116-130) synthetic peptide on body weight gain and food consumption in female *db/db* mice.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii), a marked up version of the specification showing the changes made appears as Appendix A of this Amendment.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

C2 ~~1.~~ (Amended twice) A purified leptin peptide ≤ 15 amino acids long, having a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 2-10 and 18, and fragments, homologs,